# Information, advice & guidance
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## Collingwood College

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## MAY 2020 - CAREERS NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

As a parent/care and possibly an ex-student of Collingwood, I need your help to inspire the next generation. I am creating an Alumni network of ex-students and also a parent network of people that are willing to support the College by providing inspiration stories, give careers talks, workshops etc.

If you would like to be included please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk with your name.

If you are happy for your details to be used to create 'Where are they now?' posters or case studies please send the following information:

Your name
Current job title/company
Previous job titles/companies
Higher Education/Apprenticeship
Advice you would give current students
Photo (optional)

If you went to Collingwood:
Your name when you were at Collingwood
Year you left Collingwood
Subjects studies at Collingwood
Photo of you at school

See page 2 for our first 'Where are they now?' poster.

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### Year 7 - 9

**START** – New Home Learning Activities

https://www.startprofile.com/

**start**

In addition to their academic studies, it is so important that students are continually encouraged to think about what career opportunities are out there, how to get there and what they'll need to prepare themselves for the journey.

These new activities will help. They include videos, quizzes and reflective learning on:

- Selling yourself - the importance of a personal brand
- Learning from the jobs people in their family have done
- Understanding the importance of technology and how it's changing the workplace

New activities will keep being added, so please encourage your child to work through the tasks and check back on the site regularly.

## Gameplan

Welcome to Gameplan, an online education resource provided by King's College London University. Designed to help you prepare your 10-14 year old child for university; the site is split into two sections: pupils and parents.

While your child has the opportunity to explore a variety of educational games, all of which will increase their knowledge of how to progress to university, this parents' section will offer lots of hints and tips on how you can support them in school and beyond.
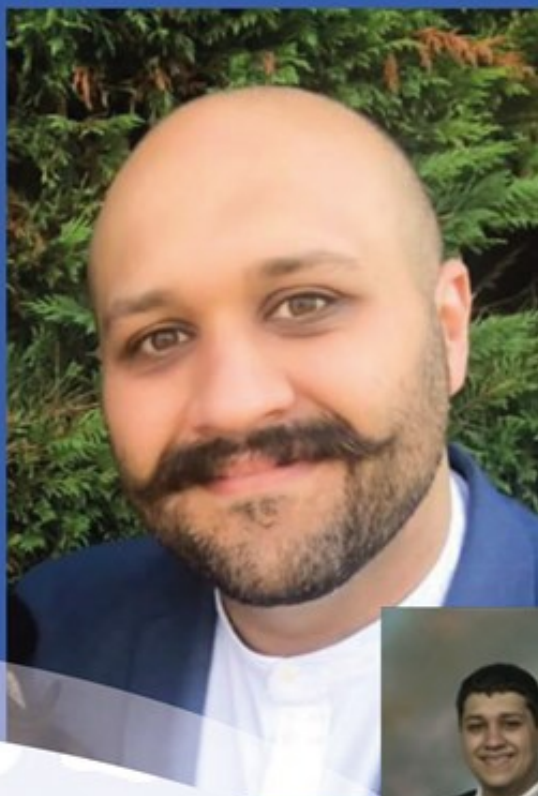
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## OMAR KHAN
### GLOBAL ACCOUNT DIRECTOR

### EMPLOYMENT:

- **SONY PLAYSTATION**
(2018 - present, Global Account Director)

- **FORBIDDEN PLANET**
(2016 - 2018, Licensing, Partnership & Special Projects Manager)

- **TITAN ENTERTAINMENT GROUP**
(2012 - 2016, Editorial Assistant)

- **UNIVERSITY OF EXETER**
(2011, MA)

- **UNIVERSITY OF EXETER**
(2007 - 2010, BA)

### EDUCATION:

**Year left Collingwood:** 2007

**Subjects studied at Collingwood Sixth Form:** English, Business Studies, Media Studies.

**Higher Education/Apprentiship:** MA from University of Exeter, BA from University of Exeter

**What would your advice be to current students?**
Follow your passions, and find your niche. Start thinking about what your ideal job is, then work it back and build a personal career plan to get you there. For me, I always cared about the entertainment industry (most especially the video game business), so I thought about my job path as a 'spiral staircase' rather than a ladder, built up of diagonal steps that let me build experience in unique areas. Lastly: things take time. Be patient, and never stop developing yourself. It's all possible.

**Year 10 – 12**

**BeReady**

https://learn.bereadygroup.org/login/index.php

All students in Years 10 – 12 have received log in details from support@bereadygroup.org (check spam email).

BeReady online learning platform is already used by hundreds of UK schools and colleges to deliver **free employability skills training for Key Stages 3, 4 and 5.** Now, in partnership with the Greenshaw Learning Trust, *they have added and are able to freely share with you a full Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 remote curriculum of lessons for Years 7–10* (and in the future Years 12 and 13).

The initial lessons for Summer Term 2020, created by subject specialists at the Greenshaw Learning Trust, and following well known teaching principles, are now available to all UK secondary schools. Lessons will be released to schools week by week, starting in time for the upcoming Summer Term.

This new initiative, in response to the Covid-19 crisis and school closures, is called #**SupportUKSchools.**
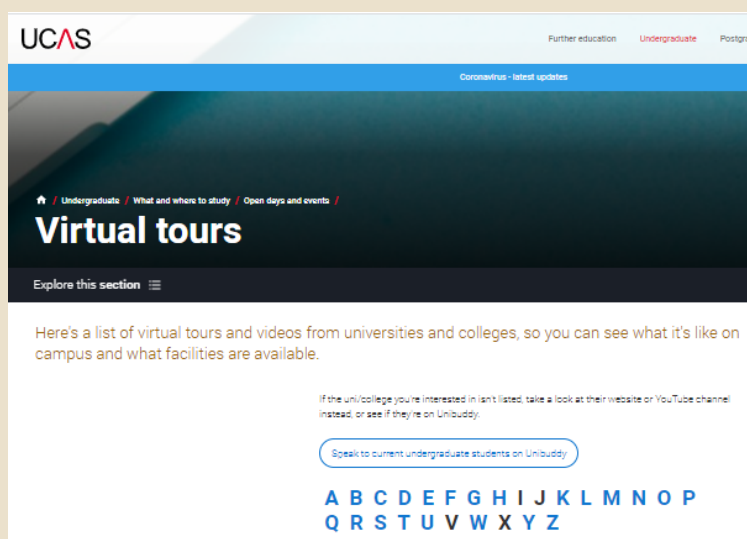
**It means that all UK secondary schools can now have free access to a digital video curriculum for the whole of the Summer Term (and beyond if necessary) for Key Stages 3 and 4.**

This content is an entire online programme of progressive learning released to cover the full Summer Term

**UCAS – university virtual tours**

As it is not possible to visit university at the moment, have a look at some virtual tours
https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours



If the uni/college you're interested in isn't listed, take a look at their website or YouTube channel instead, or see if they're on Unibuddy. https://unibuddy.com/

**All Year Groups**

**STEPs** are a series of individual student workbooks which take students through the stages of career planning from age 11, right through to planning post-18 options. The workbooks are progressive and are relevant to each Year Group. They cover a range of issues to help students to understand more about themselves, find out about careers and the world of work, and help them to plan for their future.

Students have been sent an email with the workbook for their year group attached.

**Years 11 and 12 (only)**

**ETONX**



*Students need more than just good grades*

To keep up with our rapidly changing world and stand out from the crowd, students need to be great communicators, great collaborators, adaptable, resilient and creative. EtonX courses bridge the gap between academic success and life in the real world.

**Younger generations are becoming more educated, but less skilled. It's a problem that's greatly impacting their opportunities.**

EtonX is a British education technology company founded by Eton College in 2015 with one mission in mind: to create innovative software and high-quality course materials that allow students to develop the skills they need for their future success. Since then, they have supported teenagers all over the world using their customised learning platform.

Each course has its own Course Director from Eton College who has advised on the syllabus and content. It's important to them that their courses include activities undertaken at Eton in lessons, tutorials and in extra-curricular activities that reflect Eton's own teaching ethos.

We have managed to secure access to Collingwood students in Years 11 and 12.

**Access code and instructions for students**

Each code expires *31st July 2020* and must be redeemed before this date.

**Year 11 access code: PD65GC2Z**
**Redemptions available: 325**
**Interview skills course**

**Year 12 access code: S6DIGVEX**
**Redemptions available: 117**
**CV writing skills course**

How to sign up to your EtonX course:

1. Visit the EtonX website and click Sign up.
2. Choose **Sign up with Access Code**.
3. Enter your Access Code.
4. Follow the on-screen instructions. Please sign up with your **school email address**.

Congratulations! You can now get started on your course.

*Once you have created your account, you can always log in at https://learn.etonx.com/login to finish your registration and access your course.*

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**British Airways**

**Speedbird Z**



Their student website, Speedbird Z, is full of interactive learning modules that students can work through on their own. The modules cover everything from careers in aviation, BA's history and heritage, work readiness skills, confidence and wellbeing. Students can also ask their digital mentors questions about their different roles and career journeys.

Link: **https://lnkd.in/gMeywqk**

https://connectr.co.uk/britishairways#home

icould offers five different components which fit together to help young people explore and discover careers.

**1. Self-discovery and reflection**

Take the **Buzz Quiz** to develop self-awareness and start thinking about careers. This fun, quick quiz helps young people to explore their strengths and preferences, and explore links between their personality, working styles and job types.



**2. Career ideas**

**Explore videos** to get an insight into careers and work, and draw links between subjects and jobs. There are over 1000 videos of real people talking about their careers – explaining their job role, career path and how different factors have shaped their choices. Videos can be filtered by job type or subject and cover a range of sectors and levels.

**3. Labour Market Information**

Drill down to see Labour Market Information (LMI) and think about next steps. Below each video, you can find information relating to job types, including salary and weekly hours; job description, qualifications and tasks; employment by region; future employment; and gender balance.

**How to use Labour Market Information to help make career decisions** has more details.

**4. Current vacancies**

See current vacancies for ideas about future employment with the real-time jobs feed. Their jobs feed is located on each video page to the right (on mobile devices scroll down) and corresponds as closely as possible to the job family of the video.

**Using real job adverts to spark career ideas** sets out more ways this can be used.

**5. Career guides** Visit 'Career paths' (in their **Explore** section) for guides and articles exploring issues at different career stages and decision points. These include GCSE options or university choices; exams and revision; and finding and applying for jobs.